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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1636

PIPPIG ET AL.

Examiner: Maria Marvich

APPLICATION NO: 09/715,249

FILED: NOVEMBER 17, 2000

FOR: SELECTABLE CELL SURFACE MARKER GENES

Commissioner for Patents
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Attention: Official Draftsperson

COMMUNICATION FORWARDING FORMAL DRAWING

Sir:

This is in Response to the Notice of Allowability dated December 18, 2003, requesting Corrected Formal Drawings. Applicants submit that 6 sheets of Corrected Formal Drawings were submitted to The Patent and Trademark Office on February 26, 2003. These drawings were never acknowledged in the Final Rejection dated May 20, 2003.

Applicants enclose herewith copies of the seven sheets of Formal Drawings filed on February 26, 2003, the Transmittal Letter, the Communication Forwarding Formal Drawings and the stamped Post Card which shows that the drawings were received by the Patent and Trademark Office on March 3, 2003.

Notice of the approval of these drawings is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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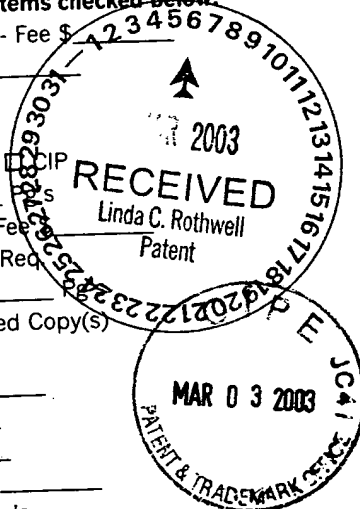


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

- a) Reply Under 37 CFR §1.111 With Amendment;
- b) Seven (7) sheets of formal drawings;
- c) Communication Forwarding Formal Drawings
- d) Copy of Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review;
- e) Fee Transmittal Sheet; and
- f) Postcard receipt.

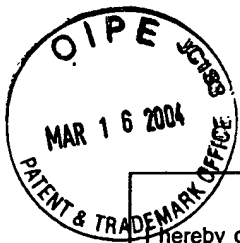
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required by this transmittal letter, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Notice of Draftsperson's Drawing Review (PTO Form 948) dated October 17, 2002, applicant encloses herewith a new set of formal drawings for FIGS. 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4, 5 (seven sheets total).

Notice of the approval of these drawings is respectfully requested.

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